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Mr Robert Counts Assistant Chief of Planning Fauquier County 40 Warren Street Warrenton, Virginia 20186

Dear Mr. Counts -



Based upon our Special Exception Request to operate a wastewater treatment and disposal system located at the Warrenton - Fauquier County Airport, we wish to offer the following justification of request on behalf of Fauquier County. The proposed request involves the construction and operation of a wastewater treatment and disposal system which is initially designed to serve the Airport facilities and several of the surrounding properties in the immediate vicinity of the airport. The hours of operation of the system would be continuous with an automated control system which would require intermittent operator attention. The facility would typically utilize one wastewater operator approximately three times per week to provide the necessary supervision and servicing required for proper operation. Operator qualifications for the facility would be minimal and would typically consist of a Class IV operator. Actual facilities located at the proposed wastewater treatment and disposal site include a central drip disposal drainfield and a wastewater treatment facility generally consisting of underground settling tanks, secondary wastewater treatment units and a central pump station to dose the drainfields. Auxiliary appurtenances to the proposed site would a small service building, electrical control panel frame and an exterior light fixture. The entire wastewater treatment equipment area would be entirely fenced for security reasons.

It is currently believed that the proposed use conforms to all applicable standards of the Fauquier County Zoning Ordinance and that no waivers or variances are requested with this application. We trust that the enclosed information adequately justifies our request for this project. However, we remain available to provide further information as may be requested concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey L. Howeth, P.E.

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